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## THIS WEEK'S COVER—

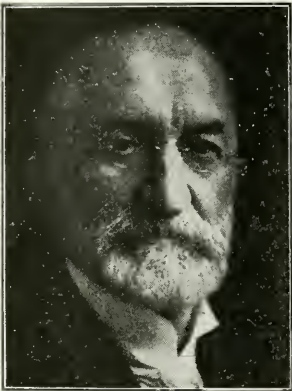
Ever since 1867, the historic Salt Lake Tabernacle has been the scene of the annual and semi-annual general conferences of the Church. The Salt Lake Temple Grounds form the mecca for thousands of Church members who come from many states and nations to attend the conference sessions, to hear words of counsel and advice from Church Authorities, to renew old acquaintances and make new ones.

"Conference Panorama," a composite photograph graces this week's cover of the *Star*. It shows a portion of a conference crowd on the Temple Grounds, with the spires of the Salt Lake Temple hovering overhead.

## THE POWER OF A TESTIMONY

By PRESIDENT HEBER J. GRANT

**S**IXTY-FIVE years ago I entered an office in Salt Lake City, and for nearly five years worked with people not of our faith, then started in business for myself. From the day I entered that office and listened to the arguments of my associates who were not of our faith—some of them vindictively talking of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, some of them in a friendly way, but all without any faith whatever, and to my knowledge none of them, with whom I came in contact, ever became interested in the Gospel—I have never found anything that has, in the slightest degree, lessened the faith in my very being, the eternal part of it that shall live after my body dies, as to the divinity of the work, in which we, as Latter-day Saints are engaged.



President Grant

Experimental knowledge is the very best knowledge in the world; and any man who will believe what he is told to believe, in one of the closing paragraphs of the Book of Mormon, and who, after reading it, will ask God for a knowledge of its divinity, and live worthily of that knowledge, will receive it.

If I were to discover that, as men and women grew in years and grew in all that was noble, glorifying and splendid in their lives, that they turned away from the plan of life and salvation, I would be frightened, but I have never been so frightened since I was a child. I remember telling one apostate who was railing against the Church, that the very lives of men who had left the Church

and their vindictiveness and wickedness after leaving the Church, had been the greatest evidence to me, second only to the teachings of my sainted mother, of the divinity of this work.

I have never known, in my life—and now I am eighty past—any man or woman to lose his or her faith in this Gospel, who once had a testimony of it and lived it.

I have seen men in high places start in by drinking tea and coffee, saying, "That doesn't amount to anything," then next using liquor, then next finding fault with the Authorities of the Church, and the first thing I knew they left the Church; but I have never known a person, man or woman, who attended his meetings, and partook of the spirit and inspiration that are present in the meetings of true, faithful Latter-day Saints, who has ever apostatized.

From my childhood days until now I have been finding

evidences of the divinity of the Book of Mormon, of the divinity of the Saviour of the world, and the divine mission of the prophet Joseph Smith: I am grateful for these things. I know of nothing that I have been more grateful of than to have had the privilege, in England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Germany, France, Belgium, Holland, Switzerland, Italy, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Canada, Mexico, Hawaii and far off Japan, to lift up my voice and testify that I know that God lives: that I know that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, the Redeemer of the world, who came to the earth with a divinely appointed mission; that He died upon the cross as the Saviour of the world; that I know that Joseph Smith was a prophet of the true and the living God, and the instrument, in His hands, of again restoring to the earth the plan of life and salvation.

I once read a book entitled: "The Young Man and the World." It stated that a certain individual with splendid opportunities for getting correct answers, asked every minister with whom he came in contact during an entire summer vacation, three questions:

"Do you believe in God, an individual, in whose image you were made; not a congeries of laws floating like a fog in the universe, but God a person? Don't argue; don't explain; answer yes or no." Not a minister answered yes.

The second question: "Do you believe that Jesus Christ was actually the Son of God, as you are the son of your father; that He came to the earth with a divinely appointed mission to die upon the cross, for the sins of the world? I am not asking you if He was the greatest moral teacher that ever lived; but was He the Redeemer, the Son of God? Answer yes or no." There was not a single yes. The sum and substance of their answers were that He was the world's greatest teacher.

**T**he third question: "Do you believe that when you die you shall live again, as a conscious identity, knowing and being known as you are here?" The answers were: "I hope so," "I rather believe so"; but none of them answered "yes."

Every true Latter-day Saint can answer those questions, without a moment's hesitation, yes, yes, yes. Why? Because every Latter-day Saint believes that God did appear, to the boy Joseph Smith, as a glorified Personage, beyond the power of Joseph Smith's language to describe Him; that God Himself presented His Son, Jesus Christ, to the boy and said "Hear Him." He was then instructed not to join any of the religious denominations, but he was told that if he proved faithful he should become the instrument, in the hands of God, in restoring to the earth the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Any man or woman who does not believe that declaration would not join our Church. Every true Latter-day Saint believes in being married for eternity. What folly to be married for eternity if there is no existence beyond the grave! But the Latter-day Saints have no doubts respecting that matter.

I am truly and absolutely at a loss to find language to

express the gratitude that fills my heart for an abiding testimony, in my very soul, of the divinity of this work. Throughout the years I have discovered evidences, so many, so strong, so powerful, regarding the divinity of this work, that I do not have the language to express my gratitude; and I have found nothing that has lessened my faith. When it comes to religious matters, I have found nothing worthy of my admiration except the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For this I am indeed thankful.

I am grateful for the knowledge that all the gifts and graces, all the privileges and powers, that have ever been enjoyed upon the earth have been restored again to the Church. I am thankful for prophets and for the inspiration of the Lord that has come to men and women through His Holy Spirit. On one occasion, when as a little child I was playing on the floor, in a Relief Society meeting, Eliza R. Snow, by the gift of tongues, and Zina D. Young, by the interpretation thereof, promised me that I should live to become one of the Apostles. I am grateful for the spirit of prophecy, which has been enjoyed in the Church, from the beginning. I recall an incident, Heber C. Kimball picked me up and stood me on a table, as a little child, and prophesied that I should become one of the Apostles and a greater man, in the Church, than my own father. Many years later I received a Patriarchal blessing, under the hands of John Rowberry, stating that I should be taken from the Tooele Stake of Zion and become one of the leaders of the Church. In later years I was given up to die, three times, but I remembered the blessing I had previously received that I should live to preach this Gospel in many lands and in many climes—all of which promises have been fulfilled.

I am grateful for the inspiration that came to me, one day, when I sat in the Temple, in sorrow, at the thought of my cousin, Anthony W. Ivins, being called by the Church to go to Mexico, to reside permanently as it seemed. As I sat there, feeling very blue, the eternal part of me received a message:

“He is going right where the Lord wants him to go; and you shall have the exquisite joy of welcoming him back into this Temple as one of the Apostles of the Lord Jesus Christ, in this last dispensation.”

I turned my head, so that my associates could not see me, and I wept for joy.

I am grateful indeed for the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and for the absolute knowledge that I shall meet my father, my mother, my wives, my children and grandchildren who have gone beyond the veil.

May God help me and you and every soul, who has an abiding knowledge of the divinity of this work, to so live that we may have eternal life and eternal joy, is my prayer, and I ask it in the name of our Redeemer, Amen.

*(This article adapted from an address delivered by President Grant, in the Salt Lake Tabernacle, on Easter Sunday.)*

# THE STORY OF TWO LAMPS

## A MODERN PARABLE

By ELDER JAMES E. TALMAGE

**A**MONG the material things of the past—things that I treasure for sweet memory's sake and because of pleasant associations in bygone days—is a lamp. It is of the Argand type, commonly known in the day of its popularity as the

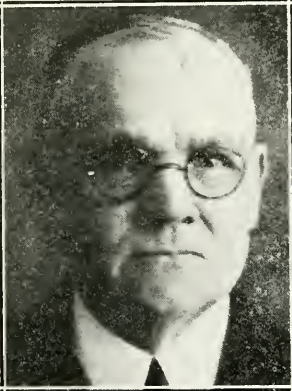
"Student's Lamp." In the long-ago of which I speak, illuminating gas was known only in large cities, and electric lights in dwellings was a rare novelty. Oil lamps were the only common means of domestic illumination.

I had bought this lamp with hard-earned savings. It was counted among my most cherished possessions. I took good care of it and had in it a pride such as the horseman feels in his favourite mount. I used it during many of my school and college days. Through late and early hours it lighted my page and became a sympathetic companion, an inspiration to mental and spiritual enlightenment. One summer evening I sat musing restfully in the open air outside the door of the room in which I lodged and studied. A stranger approached. He carried a satchel and proved affable and entertaining. I brought another chair from within and we chatted together until the twilight deepened into darkness. It was then that he enquired of me, "What kind of lamp do you use?"

"An Argand lamp, one of the best," was my confident reply.

When he was shown my well-trimmed companion, my visitor was voluble in his praise of it, but surprising me, he took from his satchel another lamp known as the "Rochester." Lighting his lamp, whose chimney compared to that of mine as a factory smoke-stack alongside a house flue, my friend said, "This lamp is designed and constructed according to the latest achievements of applied science, far surpassing anything which has been produced as a means of artificial lighting." Until that moment of convincing demonstration I had never known the dim obscurity in

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**James E. Talmage**

From 1924 to 1928, the name of Elder James E. Talmage appeared in the pages of the *Star* as Editor. He presided over the British and European Missions at that time. During his lifetime Elder Talmage wrote many well-known Church works, among them *The Articles of Faith*, *The Vitality of Mormonism* and *Jesus the Christ*. Born in Hungerford, Berkshire, in 1862. Elder Talmage was a member of the Council of the Twelve Apostles from 1911 until his death in 1933.

## PROGRESS WAS THE KEYNOTE

*By Elder Parry D. Sorensen*

**"THE** Conference just closed was better attended than any other former conference in my memory. The members of the Church said it was the best conference they ever attended in their lives. Their comment was unanimous on that point."

Such was the statement made by President Heber J. Grant on the day after the concluding session of the 107th Annual Conference, held in the Salt Lake Tabernacle Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, April 4, 5 and 6.

One of the many reasons why the 1937 Spring Conference of the Church was so successful and well attended is because of the success of the Church Security Programme. Instituted



**A Conference crowd leaving the Tabernacle**

*The huge building was filled to overflowing at the sessions.*

a few short weeks after the 106th Annual Conference last spring, the Programme has so conclusively proved its worth that it is being constantly enlarged and its scope widened. It will become a permanent part of the Church Programme.

An example of the Programme's work in aiding needy members of the Church may be gained from a recent instance of aid being given members in Canada. Twenty tons of choice fruit from Central Utah was shipped almost a thousand miles northward to the three stakes in Alberta, where no fruit is raised, and where the continued droughts of the past eight years have impoverished the people. More than 20,000 large cans were included in the shipment, making an ample supply for 2,000 people, most of whom had not tasted any fruit for many months. A short while previous a large shipment of clothing and bedding was sent to the same district. The fruit and



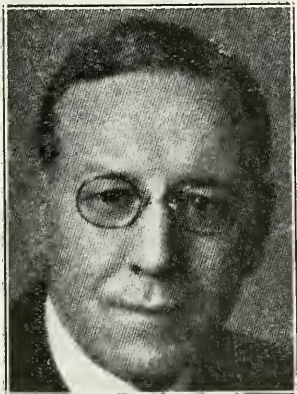
clothing were prepared at work centres in Utah by people who were out of work themselves for the most part. The Canadian Parliament passed a special ruling which permitted the goods to be shipped into the country free of duty, and the railroads co-operated by carrying the large shipment at half rate.

Progress in all other phases of Church activity was apparent during the conference sessions. One of the most interesting features to those in attendance was the addresses by Mission presidents from the United States, Canada and Mexico. Each reported many interesting and encouraging signs of growth and expansion in his mission. For example, President Don B. Colton reported that during the past year 360 radio programmes had been sponsored in the Eastern States. A quartette of missionaries in the Central States has appeared on programmes attended by more than 55,000 people and in 55 radio broadcasts. They have appeared before 81 service clubs, in 89 churches of other denominations, before 45 schools, 35 cottage meetings, and 111 miscellaneous gatherings. More than 1,500 baptisms have been performed in the Western States Mission during the past three years, stated President Joseph J.

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#### NEW Y.M.M.I.A. SUPERINTENDENT NAMED

**W**HEN Elder Albert E. Bowen was sustained as a member of the Council of the Twelve Apostles at the 107th Annual Conference, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Elder Alonzo A. Hinckley, Elder George Q. Morris was chosen to succeed Elder Bowen as Superintendent of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association.



George Q. Morris  
New Superintendent.

Since January, 1935, when Elder Bowen became Superintendent of the Y.M.M.I.A., Elder Morris has served as first assistant in the superintendency of the organization. Born February 20, 1874, the new superintendent has been active in Church affairs during his entire lifetime. For three years he laboured as a missionary in Great Britain, presiding over the London Conference for one year of that period. Shortly after returning from his mission, he was named

superintendent of the Salt Lake Stake Y.M.M.I.A. He has twice been a bishop, a member of the Ensign Stake Presidency, and a member of the General Board of the Y.M.M.I.A. since 1924. At the present time, Elder Morris is general manager of the *Improvement Era*.

THURSDAY, APRIL 29, 1937

EDITORIAL

**"MEN ARE THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE JOY"**

Joseph Smith the Prophet is entitled "to a place on the very summit of distinction among the world's philosophers and benefactors" because of the number and quality of his literary, philosophical and religious contributions. One of these contributions reads: "Men are that they might have joy." (2 Nephi 2: 35)

For real joy man has a natural desire, if not a craving. Joy is that gladness of mind and heart which results from the contemplation, anticipation or realization of something that is genuinely good. It is that feeling of gladness and happiness which comes as the result of service, sacrifice, achievement, constructive activity and righteous living.

Genuine joy comes from within and not from without. It is fundamental that human beings are not made really happy by having happiness thrust upon them—by having it poured into them from the outside. Joy comes when man's desire to do things, to accomplish things, has been satisfied; it means that man is succeeding in doing something he regards as worthwhile.

Unselfish service and real sacrifice bring untold satisfaction to the soul. Doing for and giving to others results in real joy. The Master Himself said it in these few remarkable words: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." (Acts 20: 35)

David Starr Jordan declared that no greater joy can come into the human heart than that which results from the overcoming of a vicious habit. Solving a problem brings joy. And the more difficult the problem the greater the joy. Imagine the joyful satisfaction that came to Brynson D. Horton when he won what he called a battle to make "electricity safe for everyone." A little more than forty years ago this man was a long distance runner among the athletes at the University of Michigan. He has built up a fortune for himself and has been the prime mover in securing for the Graduate School of the University of Michigan an endowment of £3,300,000, thus making that department the most richly endowed institution of its kind in the world.

Mr. Horton writes: "My struggle was to make 'electricity safe for everyone.' The 'Square D Switch,' I am proud to say, covered up the open, bare, dangerous points of contact for all electrical apparatus. The whole safety movement in industry was given a tremendous boost by our insisting on the use of these safe switches in industrial plants. It was a real battle. It was a tremendous undertaking. We had to sell a switch costing \$1.19, a safety one however, in competition with a \$0.27 switch which was a man-killer.

"There were then no rules, laws or anything else to give us help. We did have in mind all the time however, the thought of being our 'brother's keeper.' It was a great game. It was

**On the Summit  
of Distinction**

**Joy Comes  
From Within**

**Longing to be  
Again  
in the Struggle**

a real battle. And at times even now, I have an intense longing to be in that fight once more."

Real life, joyous life means activity and growth. It means getting something done that needs doing. By nature man is normally a dynamic driving individual. As such he does not wait to be put into action. **Man Normally Dynamic and Driving** No! He finds for himself something worth doing, and begins at once to do it. He seeks activity and stimulation. He avoids monotony. New and creative and worth while experiences seem to be necessary for those who are seriously seeking joy.

Youth more than age finds joy in seeking new and high adventure. Risks to youth mean excitement, exhilaration and joy. Youth is filled naturally with the spirit of driving, advancing, pursuing, attacking. Commonplace affairs often seem inadequate to those who are young.

One of the aims of the Church and of all the auxiliary organizations thereof is to furnish opportunity for all to participate in those great fundamentals which bring real joy to human souls.

The Mutual Improvement Associations of the Church, for example, seek to provide a vital programme that will satisfy all the natural urges and demands of youth; to **To Satisfy Natural Cravings** prepare and arrange a variety of wholesome and interesting activities which will fill the leisure hours of young folks so full that the natural craving for thrills and excitement will be satisfied and no place or time will remain for thoughts or things that are unwholesome.

The Mutuals offer activity in the arts and crafts, in music, in literature, reading, speaking, writing, both prose and poetry; in dramatics, baseball, basketball, archery, etc. The purpose is to provide proper and wholesome satisfaction for every youthful urge. Thus giving vent to desires, ambitions and urges brings genuine joy, yes, that happiness which is so desirable for all mankind.

Righteous living, that conduct which develops and maintains character probably gives the greatest joy. Some, under unusually trying conditions, wonder if, for example, honesty is actually the best policy. It may be seen that some who are unscrupulous, have more money, wear finer clothing and apparently are happier than others. And it may appear at first thought that such results bring joy. These may bring a sort of temporary satisfaction, but they do not, they cannot produce that joy which lasts. Down deep in the

**A Satisfied and Happy Conscience** soul of the individual who thus sells his character for money is always a sincere regret. His will not be a character that his children and his children's children to the last generation can point to with pride. It will not be said of him he was the "soul of honour." How much better to have less with a satisfied and happy conscience than to be the man who apparently has more but who is punished all the days by having to live continuously in the company of his own dishonest and deceitful self. Honesty is the best policy. "It is more blessed to give than to receive." "Men are that they might have joy."—RICHARD R. LYMAN

## ARRESTED FOR PREACHING THE GOSPEL

*By President Wilford Woodruff*

*When twenty-six years of age Wilford Woodruff heard an Elder of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints preaching the message of the restored Gospel. Shortly thereafter he was baptized, and the following year he found himself a missionary in the Cause of Truth. Last week's instalment related the fruits of his first year's labours, during which time he baptized forty-three persons, three of whom were preachers of other denominations. In company with new companions, Elder Woodruff began his second year as a missionary in Kentucky and Tennessee, without purse or scrip, preaching and bearing testimony to all who would hear his message.*

### CHAPTER VII

#### of LEAVES FROM MY JOURNAL

WHILE continuing my labours I had the privilege of meeting with Elder David W. Patten, who had come direct from Kirtland, and who had been ordained one of the twelve Apostles. It was a happy meeting. He gave us an account of the endowments at Kirtland, the glorious blessings received, the ministrations of angels, the organization of the Twelve Apostles and Seventies, and informed me that I was appointed a member of the second quorum of Seventy. All of this was glorious news to me, and caused my heart to rejoice.

On the 22nd May, 1836, we were joined by Elder Warren Parrish, direct from Kirtland. We had a happy time together, and held a conference at Brother Seth Utley's, at which all the branches of the Church in the South were represented. I was ordained a member of the second quorum of Seventy under the hands of David W. Patten and Warren Parrish.

Soon after, a warrant was issued, on the oath of a priest, against D. W. Patten, W. Parrish and myself. We were accused in the warrant, of the great "crime" of preaching that Christ would come in this dispensation, and that we promised the Holy Ghost to those whom we baptized. Brothers Patten and Parrish were taken on the 19th of June. I being in another county, escaped being arrested. The brethren were put under two thousand dollar bonds to appear at court. Albert Petty and Seth Utley were their bondsmen. They were tried on the 22nd of June. They pleaded their own cause. Although men came forward and testified they did receive the Holy Ghost after they were baptized, the brethren were condemned; but were finally released by paying the expense of the mob court.

There was one peculiar circumstance connected with this trial by the mob court, which was armed to the teeth. When the trial finished, the people were not willing to permit more than one to speak. Warren Parrish had said but few words, and they were not willing to let David Patten speak. But he, feeling the injustice of the court, and being filled with the power of God, arose to his feet and delivered a speech of about twenty minutes, holding them spell-bound, while he told

them of their wickedness and the abominations that they were guilty of, also of the curse of God that awaited them, if they did not repent, for taking up two harmless, inoffensive men for preaching the Gospel of Christ.

When he had finished his speech the judge said, "You must be armed with secret weapons, or you would not talk in this fearless manner to an armed court."

Brother Patten replied: "I have weapons that you know not of, and they are given me of God, for He gives me all the power I have."

The judge seemed willing to get rid of them almost upon any terms, and offered to dismiss them if their friends would pay the costs, which the brethren present offered to do.

When the two were released, they mounted their horses and rode a mile to Seth Utley's; but as soon as they had left, the court became ashamed that they had been let go so easily and the whole mob mounted their horses to follow them. One of the Saints, seeing the state of affairs, went on before the mob to warn the brethren, so that they had time to ride into the woods nearby. They travelled along about three miles to Brother Albert Petty's, and went to bed. But Brother Patten was warned in a dream to get up and flee, as the mob would soon be there. They both arose, saddled their animals, and rode into the adjoining county. The house they had just left was soon surrounded by the mob, but the brethren had escaped through the mercy of God.

I was invited to hold a meeting at a Baptist meeting-house on the 27th of June. On my arrival I met a large congregation; but, on commencing the meeting, Parson Browning ordered the meeting to be closed. I told the people I had come ten miles to preach the Gospel to them, and was willing to stand in a cart, on a pile of wood, on a fence, or any other place they would appoint, to have that privilege. One man said he owned the fence and land in front of the meeting house, and we might use both, for he did not believe Mormonism would hurt either. So the congregation crossed the road, took down the fence and made seats of it, and I preached to them one hour and half. At the close Mr. Randolph Alexander bore testimony to the truth of what had been said. He invited me home with him, bought a Book of Mormon, and was baptized, and I organized a branch in that place.

On Sunday, the 31st of July, A. O. Smoot and I preached at Mr. David Crider's, Weakly County, Tennessee. After the meeting Mr. Crider was baptized. A mob gathered and threatened us, and poisoned our horses so that the one I rode died a few days after. This horse had carried me thousands of miles while I was preaching the Gospel. I continued to travel with Brothers Smoot, Patten and Parrish in Tennessee and Kentucky, and we baptized all who would receive our testimony.

On the 2nd day of September we held a general conference at the Damon Creek Branch. Elder Thomas B. Marsh, President of the Twelve Apostles presided. All the branches in Tennessee and Kentucky were represented. Elder Smoot and I were released from the Southern Mission with permission to go to Kirtland.

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"The past year has seen an increase in every department of mission activity, and we are happy over the prospects for the future," said President Abel S. Rich, who presides over the Canadian Mission. Local missionaries, who labour in the vicinity of their homes in spare hours, are becoming more active in many localities. There are now 106 local missionaries labouring in the Southern States Mission, whereas there was only one when President Le Grande Richards began presiding there three years ago. Home missionaries are now labouring in 112 of the 118 stakes of the Church.

Auxiliary organizations of the Church also assembled in conference. Much of the Relief Society conference was devoted to the Security Programme and a discussion of ways in which nearby Assembly Hall or stood in the grounds outside and heard the proceedings by means of a public address system.



Elders Fowler, Lindsay, Evans, McLachlan, Labrum and Draayer

**SIX NEW STAR AWARDS**

Six travelling missionaries of the British Mission have been added to the select circle of those who wear silver *Star* pins on their coat lapels, emblematic of their having obtained one hundred new subscribers to the *Millennial Star*.

At a banquet held in their honour, Wednesday, April 21st, at "Ravenslea," home of Southwest London Branch, four of the Elders received their pins from President Joseph J. Cannon. They are Elders Edmund M. Evans, Christian J. Draayer and Donald P. Fowler of London District, and Elder Theron L. Labrum of the Millennial Chorus. At the same banquet, Elder Leonard L. Moffett, Millennial Chorus member, recipient of a *Star* pin some time ago, was awarded a double *Star* for his having attained the two hundred subscription mark. Brother A. H. Wilmott, of North London Branch, became the second member in the Mission to receive a bronze *Star* for having obtained twenty new *Star* subscribers.

The other two missionaries, Supervising Elder Alexander McLachlan of Scottish District, and Elder Eldon T. Lindsay of Irish District, received their *Stars* at banquets held in their honour in their respective districts.

All of the sessions were broadcast to thousands of listeners through Radio Station KSL. An additional feature was the regular weekly broadcast of the Choir and Organ over the Columbia Broadcasting System, which formed the opening part of the programme on Sunday morning.

At the morning services of Tuesday, April 6, the 107th anniversary of the Church's organization, Elder Albert E. Bowen was sustained as a member of the Council of the Twelve Apostles. (*Star*, April 22) Speaking at the closing session that afternoon, Elder Bowen expressed his feeling of deep humility in his new calling, stating that though he had "had many dreams and many ambitions during life, to become an apostle was never one of them.

"No one was more surprised than I at being chosen, for I have never regarded myself a person of particular consequence, and I have never sought preferment or advancement in the Church," he said. "But now that I have been chosen, I shall bend my every thought and effort to filling the position I hold as God would have me fill it, and with your faith and prayers I hope to do so."

As the last strains of "Holy Redeemer," sung by the Singing Mothers, died away, another General Conference went down in history, adjourned until October. The past year has been an eventful one for the Church, if for no other achievement save the Church Security Programme. The year ahead presents more problems to solve, new barriers to face. Likewise, it holds additional promise and rich blessings for those who obey and adhere to the teachings of the Gospel.

### THE STORY OF TWO LAMPS

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which I had lived and laboured for so many months. My own little Argand wick burned a weak, pale yellow in the brilliant blaze of the "Rochester."

"I'll buy your lamp," I said; "you need neither explain nor argue further."

Two days later, I met the lamp-peddler on the street, about noon-time, and he informed me that business was very good. "But," said I, "you are not working to-day?" His rejoinder was a lesson. "Do you think that I would be so foolish as to go around trying to sell lamps in the daytime?"

Such is the story. Now consider the application of a part, a very small part, thereof.

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father, which is in heaven."

The man who would sell me a lamp did not disparage mine. He placed his greater light alongside my feeble flame, and I hastened to obtain the better.

The missionary servants of the Church of Jesus Christ to-day are sent forth not to assail or ridicule the beliefs of men, but to set before the world a superior light, by which the smoky dimness of the flickering flames of man-made creeds shall be apparent. The work of the Church is constructive, not destructive.

As to the further meaning of the parable, let him that hath eyes and a heart see and understand.

## NEWS OF THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD

**EMINENT EDUCATOR** for nearly 60 years, Dr. Joseph T. Kingsbury, president emeritus of the University of Utah, passed away April 10th in Salt Lake City. He was 83 years of age. Dr. Kingsbury began teaching at the University in Utah, then known as the University of Deseret, in 1878, when there were only three members of the faculty. He succeeded Dr. James E. Talmage as president of the University in 1897 and held the position until 1916, when he became president emeritus. Funeral services were held April 13th, in Kingsbury Hall, a building named after him on the University campus. Bishop Thomas A. Clawson conducted the services, at which President David O. McKay was one of the speakers. The grave was dedicated



**Dr. Kingsbury**

*Educator passes*

by Elder Levi Edgar Young of the first Council of Seventy.

**THE TABERNACLE** Choir and Organ are recognized as exponents of the best in religious music, according to an article by Mr. Volney D. Hunt in the *Christian Science Monitor*. In an article entitled "Religion on the Air," the author traces the history of the Columbia Broadcasting System's "Church of the Air" programme, which is heard every Sunday by radio listeners of the United States and Canada. "Columbia gives two half hours on Sunday to its Church of the Air," the article states. "In addition, there is a musical programme direct from the Mormon Tabernacle at Salt Lake City, Utah, broadcast in recognition that its organ and choir have won nation-wide acclaim as exponents of the best in religious music." The Tabernacle Choir and Organ have been heard throughout the United States and Canada since 1929. The Sunday morning broadcasts are the oldest continuous national programme in America.

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### SHEFFIELD DISTRICT CONFERENCE

More than 250 people, half of them non-members, heard Presidents Richard R. Lyman and Joseph J. Cannon speak at the evening session of Sheffield District conference, held in Sheffield Branch Chapel Sunday, April 25th. District President George H. Bailey conducted the meeting.

The Sheffield Orpheus Male Voice Choir of forty voices, conducted by Mr. Reginald Cooper, M.U.S.B.A.C., furnished the musical programme for the evening.

Supervising Elder Victor L. Bingham, Elders Stanford J. Robison, Ferrell K. Walker, Sister Ramona W. Cannon and Presidents Lyman and Cannon were speakers in the afternoon session of the conference, conducted by Brother James

R. Bargh, first counsellor in the district presidency. Musical numbers were sung by the Singing Mothers and Daughters, the Rawmarsh Branch Male quartette and Mrs. Wilfred Lecker, who sang two vocal solos.

Brother Herbert Bailey, second counsellor in the district presidency, conducted the morning session, at which speakers were Elders Glen L. Allan, Boyd W. Woodward, William W. Rainey, Julius S. Leatham, Sister Florence Malmberg, lady missionary, and Presidents Lyman and Cannon.

Nottingham District conference, the next in the Spring series, will convene at All Saints Open, Great Central Street, Leicester, Sunday, May 2nd. It will be followed by Norwich conference on May 9th.



## OF CURRENT INTEREST

**"THE MEXICAN** Government is fighting for prohibition," a recent press dispatch states. Temperance in the Mexican Republic is being stressed and its advantages are being broadcast through all the agencies of publicity and propaganda. President Cardenas gave his Republic a push forward when on April 7th he proposed a law which would place a three day ban each week upon liquor of all kinds. The bill proposes that no intoxicants be sold on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, and that the manufacture of alcoholic beverages be prohibited in Indian zones. Electric light users in Mexico City have found that in furtherance of the campaign the Government are printing on each monthly bill the following slogan: "El Alcoholismo Es El Mas Tenazy Temible Enemigo del Progreso," that is "Alcoholism is the most stubborn and fearful enemy of progress."

**WORLD GOODWILL DAY**, May 18th, will be observed by many schools, public and private, in all nations, with pageants, plays, and programmes, associations of the World Federation of Education announced recently. Last year more than twice 1935's number of programmes were held and it is expected that the increased interest in world peace at the present time will mean more than twice last year's figure. The best programmes will attach importance to love in the family and to friendship in the community, as well as goodwill between nations.

**FIFTY-THOUSAND WORDS** without an "E" is what Ernest Vincent Wright of Los Angeles, California, wrote when he sat down to his typewriter determined to write a novel that would be different. After four months and 30 days, with the "E" bar tied down, he completed the job—50,110 words. The author calls the book "Gadsby—Champion of Youth," and the entire manuscript is amazingly smooth with a continuity of plot and almost

classic clarity. The following excerpt was picked at random, and is typical of the new book:

"Now I think that you should know this charming Gadsby family. So first I will bring forth 'Lady Gadsby,' known as such through Mayor Gadsby's inauguration, a most popular woman—taking part in many a city activity, such as clubs and social affairs—also a loyal church woman with vocal ability for choir work and good capability on piano or organ. No woman could fill in in so many ways; no woman was so willing and quick to do so."

**CANADA** has chosen 35 crack Mounties for the Coronation. The fortunate contingent of the famed Royal Canadian Mounted Police, clad in scarlet and gold, to come to London, will be headed by Col. S. T. Woods, of Ottawa. Representatives of every division are now in training at Regina, western headquarters of the force, and these constables and officers will compose the delegation. Selection was based on their skill as horsemen and their records with the force. Special arrangements have been made to transport the horses overseas, because the police horses have been trained for years in the intricate drill routine of the Mounties, and it would be practically impossible to obtain substitute horses in Britain.

**FIVE FULL-COURSE** meals a day, plus knick-knacks such as ice cream, fruits and vegetables, kept Norman Skelly, Pawtucket, Rhode Island, skating rink proprietor, from becoming hungry while he roller skated across the United States from Boston to Los Angeles. With his companion, John Shefuga, he skated the 4,075 miles in 55 days, but used nine extra days en route for rest periods. While the same skates were used between October 2nd, when they skated out of Boston, and December 4th, when they arrived on the Pacific coast, the two men replaced 480 steel wheels and 960 cones.

## FROM THE MISSION FIELD

### Doings in the Districts.

**IRISH**—A social evening was held in Belfast Branch hall recently, under the direction of Misses Agnes Gillespie and Bert Harkins. The event was in aid of the Branch Relief Society Funds.

**LIVERPOOL**—Burnley Branch held a dance on Saturday, April 10th, with Brothers Edwin R. Austin and Luther Espley as masters of ceremonies. Refreshments were prepared by Sisters Doris Owens and Edith Ann Speight.

**MANCHESTER**—Sister Violet Clough of Rochdale Branch reports that the Relief Society Sisters entertained the Gleaner Girls at their regular meeting, Monday, April 12th.

At baptismal services held Saturday, April 15th, in Manchester Branch Chapel, the following were baptized and confirmed; Joan Buckley and Ivy Buckley, baptized by Supervising Elder Vernon A. Cooley and confirmed by Brother Frank Kelsh; Annie McCarroll, Kathleen McCarroll, Doris Woolfinden and Edith Gillies, baptized by Elder Woodrow D. Marriott and confirmed by Elder Russell S. Marriott; Emily Howarth and Walter Howarth, baptized by Elder Ellis E. Craig and confirmed by Elder Woodrow D. Marriott, Margaret Ann Howarth, baptized by Elder Craig and confirmed by Elder Cooley; and William Edward Mills, baptized by Elder Woodrow D. Marriott and confirmed by Brother Kelsh.

**NORWICH**—At baptismal services conducted by Supervising Elder LeRoy A. Kettle in Norwich Branch Chapel, Saturday, April 10th, Kathleen Mary Turner and Kathleen Dora Turner were baptized by Elder Arthur C. Porter. They were confirmed by Elders Kettle and Max Garn Capener, respectively.

Speakers at Thurlton Branch conference, Sunday, April 11th, were Supervising Elder LeRoy A. Kettle, District President Alfred Burrell, Sisters Emma and Doris Burrell, and Brother Wilfred Bur-

rell.

Elder Arthur C. Porter, President Burrell, and Brother John F. Cook were speakers at North Walsham Branch conference, recently. Branch President Alfred Woodhouse conducted the service which was held in the home of Brother and Sister James Loads. Brother and Sister Loads are 90 and 91 years of age, respectively. The conference was very successful.

**NOTTINGHAM**—Nearly one hundred were in attendance at Derby Branch Primary conference held in Unity Hall, Derby, Sunday, April 11th, under the direction of Sister Charlotte Orme. Seventy-two were children. Sister Margaret Wild, district Primary supervisor, and Elder E. Clark King spoke. The evening's programme also included two plays, "The Children's Hosanna" and "A German Legend." Sister Geraldine Orme, Elsie Smith, Theresa Tanti, Vera and Joan Weakley, Ivy and Betty Ride, Brenda Burd, and Peggy Swain presented the first. In costume dress the following took part in the second play: Dennis Wally, Reginald Ride, Clifford Tanti, Cyril Hague, Ernest Balsom, Cyril Pane, Arthur Widdowson, Frank Butley, Thomas Butler, and Leslie North.

A supper in aid of Nottingham Branch building fund was enjoyed by members and friends at the home of Sister Edith Robinson, on Saturday, April 10th.

**SCOTTISH**—Members of Glasgow Branch held a track meet at Knightswood Athletic Field Saturday, April 3rd. A social gathering at the Branch hall, 7, Ashley Street, followed the event.

Supervising Elder Alexander McLachlan and Elder Fred H. Thompson presented the illustrated lecture, "Before Columbus," to members of Goven Branch of Toc H at Glasgow Thursday, April 15th. On the previous Thursday, April 8th, Elder Thompson spoke before this same group. His subject was "Organization and Government of the Mormon Church."

## LATTER-DAY SAINT MEETING PLACES IN BRITAIN

*For the convenience of Star readers we are printing a complete list of the Chapels and meeting places of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in all districts of the British Mission. (Continued from Last Week)*

### LIVERPOOL DISTRICT

#### *Accrington:*

L. D. S. Hall,  
Over 9, Church Street,  
Accrington, Lancs.

#### *Burnley:*

L. D. S. Chapel,  
1, Liverpool Road,  
Rosegrove, Burnley.

#### *Blackburn:*

L. D. S. Hall,  
St. Peter's Street,  
Blackburn, Lancs.

#### *Liverpool:*

Enquire: 30, Liberty St.,  
Wavertree,  
Liverpool, 13.

#### *Nelson:*

L. D. S. Hall,  
10, Hibson Road,  
Nelson, Lancs.

#### *Preston:*

L. D. S. Hall,  
96, Friargate,  
Preston, Lancs.

#### *Wigan:*

L and Y Station,  
Wigan, Lancs.

### LONDON DISTRICT

#### *Brighton:*

105, Queen's Road,  
Brighton, Sussex.

#### *Letchworth:*

Vasanta Hall,  
*Courtesy Theosophical Society*  
Gernon Walk,  
Letchworth, Herts.

#### *Luton:*

Dallow Road Hall,  
Corner of Dallow and  
Naseby Roads.  
Luton, Beds.

#### *Portsmouth:*

Pimco Hall,  
Heidelberg Road,  
Southsea, Hants.

#### *Southwest London:*

Ravenslea,  
149, Nightingale Lane,  
London, S.W.12.

#### *North London:*

L. D. S. Chapel,  
59, Clissold Road,  
London, N.16.

#### *St. Albans:*

49, Spencer Street,  
St. Albans, Herts.

### NEWCASTLE DISTRICT

#### *Gateshead:*

Westfield Hall,  
Westfield Terrace,  
Gateshead, Durham.

#### *Hexham:*

Deseret,  
Alexandra Terrace,  
Hexham, Northum.

#### *Middlesbrough:*

L. D. S. Hall,  
188, Linthorpe Road,  
Middlesbrough, Yorks.

#### *Shildon:*

L. D. S. Hall,  
100, Main Street,  
Shildon, Durham.

#### *Skelton:*

Scott Rooms,  
Boosebeck Road,  
Skelton Green,  
Skelton, Yorks.

#### *South Shields:*

L. D. S. Chapel,  
98, Fowler Street,  
South Shields, Durham.

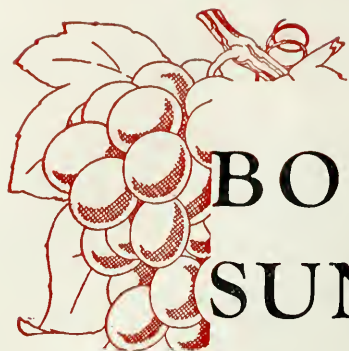
#### *Sunderland:*

L. D. S. Chapel,  
18, Tunstall Road,  
Sunderland, Durham.

#### *West Hartlepool:*

L. D. S. Chapel,  
7, Osborne Road,  
West Hartlepool, Durham.

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